



#### SCUDDER FALLS BRIDGE

On June 22, Commissioner Dwight R. G. Palmer and other officials of the Department participated in ceremonies officially opening and dedicating the new bridge across the Delaware River at Scudder Falls, north of Trenton.

The ceremonies were staged by the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission. Representatives of the Commission, the Pennsylvania State Highway Department and the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads also participated.

The new \$2,286,610 structure will ultimately become a part of Interstate Route 95. In the interim it will serve as a replacement for the former Yardley Bridge that was seriously damaged in 1957 by the flood.

The structure is 1,740 feet long consisting of ten spans, all of steel girder construction, carrying a reinforced concrete roadway with two safety walks and concrete parapets. The bridge roadway will accommodate four lanes of traffic with opposing directions separated by a raised medial divider.

The bridge span was financed by both the State of New Jersey and Pennsylvania and by the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads, with each of the states paying 25 per cent of the total cost and the Federal Bureau supplying the remainder.

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#### SCUDDER FALLS BRIDGE, contd.

The contracts for the bridge were let by our Department. Separate contracts covered the substructure and superstructure work. Actual construction of the bridge was begun in August 1958. Concurrent with opening the bridge all necessary connecting ramps on the New Jersey side were put to public use.

#### SOUTH JERSEY RAPID TRANSIT

As a cooperative gesture the Department's Public Information Bureau personnel participated on July 5 in the Governor's public hearing on the South Jersey Rapid Transit plan as proposed by the Delaware River Port Authority. Prior to the hearing, Department personnel prepared and placed several exhibits that illustrated much of the proposal. The Department also provided photographic and recording service.

# INTERSTATE ROUTE 287

This month, the Department opened a 2.6 mile section of Interstate Route 287 in Middlesex County, received bids on a further extension of the route there, as well as another section near Boonton, and advertised for bids on a future extension near Boonton.

The section open to traffic extends from temporary Route 18, east of the Raritan River, near South Bound Brook, westerly to Weston Canal Road, southwest of South Bound Brook.

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## INTERSTATE ROUTE 287, contd.

We expect later this month to push the opening of the roadway as far west as a connection with Route 28. This will provide a fairly complete bypass of the Bound Brook-South Bound Brook bottleneck and permit Middlesex County to reconstruct Queen's Bridge, which crosses the river between Bound Brook and South Bound Brook. Work now underway provides for completion of Route 287 as far as Route 22 by September 1. It is expected that when this work is completed appropriate ceremonies will mark the occasion.

Two other contracts representing an expenditure of more than \$8 million are in force within the 6-1/2 mile section of Route 287 east of the newly opened portion. Bids were received this month on an additional 1.7 miles at a cost of approximately more than \$4 million. Only a short piece remains to be let before all construction of the contract's 13-mile stretch between U.S. 1, at Metuchen, and U.S. 22 will have been undertaken or completed.

Construction of the route in the Boonton area moved forward this month through the receipt of bids on the first of three contracts that will provide for a 5-mile by-pass of Boonton proper, where traffic must utilize outmoded Route U. S. 202. The section bid on this month is approximately two miles long. The work section drew a low bid of more than \$3.5 million. It lies mainly within the built-up area of Boonton and includes a crossing of the Rockaway River.

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## INTERSTATE ROUTE 287, contd.

The second of the three contracts to be let in this area will be bid on August 10. This is a 1.5 mile long project that will carry the Freeway to a connection with existing Route 202 in Montville.

Plans for the third section which would link the center two-mile Freeway stretch with the existing Route 287 section at Route 46 are nearing completion and the work should go under contract this summer.

#### BERGEN-PASSAIC EXPRESSWAY

Construction of the Bergen-Passaic Expressway (Interstate Route 80) interchange with Route 17 in Bergen County is expected to get under way shortly as the result of bids received by the Department on June 29. Early bids has been rejected because of technical flaws in bids that had been submitted.

The \$4.6 million contract will cover work in Hackensack, South Hackensack, Lodi and Teterboro, from which will evolve a long narrow interchange with existing Route 17 northbound and southbound roadways widely separated, and the Interstate double-dual eight-lane highway located between them.

An adjoining westerly one mile section of the Freeway, including a full interchange with Riverview Avenue in Lodi was advertised this month. Bids will be received in August.

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#### BERGEN-PASSAIC EXPRESSWAY, contd.

Included in this contract will be a 430-foot long overpass to carry Interstate Route 80 over Gregg Street, the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad and relocated southbound Route 17.

Construction of the Expressway west of Route 17 moved ahead also in the form of an advertisement for bids to be received later this month for building six of the Freeway bridges in East Paterson and the receipt of bids on a contract to demolish 247 buildings within Paterson itself.

The multiple-bridge contract will include structures to carry the high-way over Boulevard; the N.Y.S. & W. RR, South Center Street, Market Street, River Drive and a Market Street connecting ramp.

#### INTERSTATE ROUTE 95

A contract for installing sand drain columns in order to stabilize nearly a mile of future Interstate Route 95 alignment between the Bergen-Passaic Expressway and existing Route 46 will get underway shortly.

Bids on this project were received June 28. Previous bids on the project received May 11 were rejected because of technical flaws in the bids submitted.



## INTERSTATE ROUTE 95, contd.

Most of the work area lies in Ridgefield Park with a small portion jutting into Teaneck Township. This contract is the first step toward linking the Bergen-Passaic Expressway between the George Washington Bridge and Route 17, with Route 46 and the New Jersey Turnpike.

The project area is located between two interchanges planned to be constructed under subsequent contracts which will connect Route 95 with Interstate Route 80 where the two highways meet two miles west of the George Washington Bridge. The other interchange will connect with the New Jersey Turnpike and Route U. S. 46.

## ROUTE 18 DUALIZATION

The safety improvement and expansion of N.J. Route 18's traffic carrying capacity will be the object of a project to be bid on later this month.

In recent years close to \$4 million has been spent improving the highway from Route 1 at New Brunswick to Old Bridge and extending it from Old Bridge easterly to Route U.S. 9 in Madison Township.

The Department's long term objective is to further extend the highway to Route 35 in the Eatontown area of Monmouth County.



## ROUTE 18 DUALIZATION, contd.

The project now under advertisment is split into two sections.

A section between the N. J. Turnpike and Raritan River Railroad in East Brunswick Township will be widened and resurfaced with bituminous concrete, have concrete center barrier and jughandles installed and include a new overpass to carry the highway over the Lehigh Valley Railroad in Madison Township.

In the most easterly part of the project a 900 foot section of the highway within Old Bridge will be widened, resurfaced and divided with a new concrete center barrier. After this project is completed only a short portion of the original 3-lane highway will remain to be dualized. This work is proposed in the Department's 1961-62 construction program.

#### ROUTE U.S. 1 IMPROVEMENT

The final step in our Route U.S. 1 improvement program between Trenton and New Brunswick is to be undertaken shortly. The work area, 1.6 miles long, in North Brunswick, Middlesex County, will extend northerly from the Route 1 bridge over the Pennsylvania Railroad mainline to the Route 130 circle.

In this area, as we have done for about 19 miles of the route from Trenton north, we plan to replace the highway's grass center island with a concrete center barrier, widen and resurface the roadways and provide new 10-foot wide hard surfaced outer shoulders.



#### ROUTE U. S. 130 - FEDERAL STREET

The Department will receive bids later this month for construction of a new overpass in Pennsauken Township, Camden County, that will carry Federal Street over the heavily traveled State highway.

The work, which will include the construction of jughandles at the Bridgeboro-Moorestown Road in Delran Township, is part of an overall \$3.2 million Route U.S. 130 improvement program that embraces a 13.5 mile stretch of the highway between Camden and Burlington.

Included in each section of the project has been resurfacing of the existing highway's badly worm concrete surface with bituminous concrete and the installation of jughandles and several thousand feet of new concrete center barrier to divide opposing directions of traffic.

#### ROUTE 3 - HACKENSACK RIVER BRIDGE

The Department will start constructing the long-proposed Route 3 bridge over the Hackensack River between Secaucus, Hudson County, and East Rutherford, Bergen County, within the next few weeks.

As the opening gun we will receive bids on a contract for the new bridge's substructure later this month. The steel superstructure and reinforced concrete deck will be built under future contracts.



#### ROUTE 3 - HACKENSACK RIVER BRIDGE, contd.

The proposed new bridge will be 2,650 feet long and have four 12-foot wide traffic lanes, safety shoulders, walkways and balustrades in the 59-foot wide deck. The purpose of the overall project is to provide the average 75,000 vehicles per day crossing on the existing five-lane bridge with two separate one-way bridges by late 1963 or early 1964.

The new bridge will be located about 500 feet north of the present 28-year old structure. Upon its completion it will temporarily carry both directions of traffic while the old structure is being re-decked. After re-decking the old bridge will be limited to use of eastbound traffic and the new one reserved for westbound vehicles.

The new bridge will be the first in metropolitan New Jersey to be equipped with the low level fluorescent lighting system that was first included on the Department's Route 72 Manahawkin Bay Bridge in Ocean County. The lighting units are mounted in the top railing of the bridge's balustrade so that the illumination is directed to the bridge deck at right angles to traffic.

#### ROUTE U.S. 22 RESURFACING

Resurfacing of a 2.6 mile section of Route U.S. 22 in Essex and Union Counties got underway early this month. The project is unique in that we are requiring all work that would impede the movement of traffic on the heavily traveled route be performed at night.



## ROUTE U.S. 22 RESURFACING, contd.

The contractor has been working from between 7 p.m. and 4 a.m.

The project extends from Meeker Avenue in Newark westerly to Vaux

Hall Road in Union Township, skipping a half-mile section in

Hillside where the Liberty Avenue viaduct is being widened and a

section under the Lehigh Valley Railroad Bridge where the resurfacing

was omitted in order to preserve existing roadway clearances for

large trucks. The work is expected to be completed within 30 working

days.

#### ROUTE 208 EXTENSION

The last in a series of contracts that has already provided 9.4 miles of continuous two-lane highway from Route 4 in Fair Lawn to Colonial Road in Franklin Lakes was bid on this month.

The new Route 208 project will extend the highway for its final 1.3 miles to a junction with Route 202 in Oaklyn at a cost of \$1.6 million.

Our previous work cost approximately \$5.6 million.

As part of the Highway Department construction programs prior to 1956, Route 208 was built between Route 4 and Harristown Road in Fair Lawn and a major part of grading for the route was completed as far as Franklin Lakes.

Beginning with its 1956-57 program, the Department has accelerated the extension of the highway in order to provide a badly needed through artery in this section of Bergen County.



# ROUTE 208 EXTENSION, contd.

Future plans call for dualizing the Route 4 to Route 202 section of the highway and extending it northwesterly through Passaic County.

#### ROUTE U.S. 322

Modernization of Route U. S. 322 (Black Horse Pike) Atlantic and Gloucester Counties, will be completed under a contract to be bid on August 3.

The Black Horse Pike modernization program has thus far encompassed 20.6 miles of the route from Blue Anchor Road easterly to the Atlantic City area. Throughout the route has been widened and resurfaced and in some areas opposing directions of traffic separated by a concrete center barrier.

The new project covers a 5.6 mile section from Blue Anchor Road westerly to a point east of Williamstown where it will connect with an already dualized section of the highway. The plans for this section called for widening the existing 30-foot 3-lane roadway to a 76-foot wide 4-lane facility, separated by an 8-foot wide median strip.

We have set an August 1962 completion date for the project.



#### MEETINGS

In addition to the routine staff and other meetings, the following are a few of the conferences and meetings held during the month.

- June 14 Met with Atlantic City and southern New Jersey development groups and engineers and financial experts re proposed Atlantic City Freeway.
- June 15 Discussed contractual relationships and various aspects
  of contracts with carriers in conferences with President
  of the Central and Vice President of the Pennsylvania
  Railroads.

Met with Mr. Kochman of United Airlines and Mr. Neff of American Airlines concerning Newark Airport.

Visited by Senator Milton re Hudson and Manhattan Railroad.

- June 19 Meeting here with officials of the Associated Railroads
  with regard to promotional advertisement program for mass
  transportation.
- June 20 Review of alignment and other changes proposed on Route 23

  in Sussex County with group from that area.

Presented service awards to 42 employees of the Department.



# MEETINGS, contid.

- June 20 Visited by Senator Grossi and others of the Passaic area re our Route 21 planning.
- June 21 Discussed on the spot with representatives of the Bamberger

  (Garden State Plaza) Shopping Center and Mr. Donald Borg,
  publisher of the Bergen Record, matters related to access
  to the shopping center and its effect on traffic in the
  Route 4 and 17 area.
- June 22 Participated in Scudder Falls Bridge dedication ceremony.

  Visited by Senator Connery and some of his constituents
  concerning matters of right-of-way and land utilization
  in Gloucester County.
- June 23 Meeting in Newark with local officials concerning the

  Newark area transportation study now being finalized

  by the Department.

Visited in Monmouth with Senator Stout and Mr. Wilentz re various highway routings and their effect on properties.

June 26 - Meeting with Mr. Austin Tobin and engineers re various

Port of New York Authority matters.



## MEETINGS, cont'd.

- June 27 With Acting Governor D'Aloia toured the Port Newark and New York World Trade Center areas.
- June 29 Met with Mr. Tobin of the Port Authority re H&M and World Trade Center.
  - Discussed matters relative to the H&M and Camden area with Pennsylvania Railroad officials.
- June 30 Meeting at Newark Airport with towermen, groundmen, engineers and pilots regarding trials of modified jets.
- July 3 Review of plans with consultants (Gibbs & Hill) concerning modernizing Erie & Lackawanna Railroad services.
  - Conference with Governor in review of airport, general transit and Camden area transit matters.
- July 5 Participated in the public hearing at the War Memorial

  Building on Delaware River Port Authority transit

  proposal for the Camden area.
- July 7 Meeting with representatives of the Erie & Lackawanna re present services and opportunities for improvement.



# MEETINGS, cont'd.

July 11 - With associates conferred in Newark with Senator

Harrison A. Williams, members of his staff and Mr.

Herman Stichman re transit funds.



# BIDS RECEIVED

June	14	000	Interstate Route 80 Demolition of Buildings Paterson, Passaic County. William M. Young & Co., Newark	\$105,550.00
June	22	card	Route U. S. 22 Newark, Townships of Hillside and Union Union and Essex Counties. Gallo Asphalt Company, Irvington	272,040.37
June	22	Comple	Whiting-Hornerstown Road- County Road 539 Ocean County. M. J. Stavola, Inc., Red Bank	156,087.04
June	28	•	Route 4 - Hackensack Avenue Hackensack, Bergen County. Sappah Construction Co., Montvale	175,283.41
June	28	<b>G</b>	Interstate Route 95 Sand Drains and Incidental Work Ridgefield Park and Teaneck Townships Bergen County. Geo. M. Brewster & Son, Bogota	3,070,916.00
June	29	ům.	Interstate Route 80 Grading-Paving-Bridges Lodi, Teterboro, Hackensack, Bergen County. Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls	<b>4,678,771.82</b>
June	30	con	Route 1 and 9 Underground Electrical Structures Elizabeth - Newark Counties Contracting & Constn. Co., Phila.	31,382.50
July	5	1000	Interstate Route 287 Grading-Paving-Bridges Parsippany-Troy Hills & Boonton, Morris County. Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls	3,598,772.03



#### BIDS RECEIVED, contd.

July 6 - Interstate Route 287
Grading-Paving-Bridges
Edison Township and Metuchen
Middlesex County.
Public Constructors, Inc., Blackwood

\$ 4,037,973.40

July 7 - Route 208
Franklin Lakes and Oakland
Bergen County.
Samuel Braen's Sons, Hawthorne

1,659,499.48

Total Bids Received

\$17,786,276.05



#### CONTRACTS AWARDED

June 9 -	Route 3 - Deck Repair Hackensack River Bridge Bergen and Hudson Counties Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls	\$155,786.50
June 20 -	Route 27 - Culvert at Stillwell Road Franklin Township, Somerset County S. Brunswick Township, Middlesex County. Coopersmith Bros., Phillipsburg	45,054.65
June 20 -	Interstate Route 80 Demolition of Buildings Paterson, Passaic County. William M. Young & Co., Newark	105,550.00
June 29 -	Route U. S. 22 Empire Street Viaduct to Sayre Road Newark, Hillside and Union Townships Union and Essex Counties. Gallo Asphalt Company, Irvington	272,040.37
June 30 -	Whiting-Hornerstown Road - County Road 539 Ocean County.  M. J. Stavola, Inc., Red Bank	156,087.0h
July 6 -	Route 1 and 9 Underground Electrical Structures Elizabeth - Newark Counties Contracting & Constn. Co., Phila.	31,382.50
	Total Contracts Awarded -	\$765,901.06



#### BIDS TO BE RECEIVED

- July 12 Pointers-Auburn Road County Road #540 Mannington Township, Salem County.
- July 13 Route 18

  E. Brunswick and Madison Townships
  Middlesex County.
- July 13 Route 23
  Grading-Paving-Bridge
  Montague Township, Sussex County.
- July 18 Interstate Route 80
  Bridges and Incidental Work
  East Paterson, Bergen County.
- July 20 Route 10
  Pavement Reconstruction, Widening and Culvert
  West Orange, Essex County.
- July 20 Route 52 Deck Repairs to 4 Bridges
  Ocean City Somers Point
  Atlantic and Cape May Counties.
- July 25 Route 3
  Hackensack River Bridge Substructure
  Secaucus, Hudson County.
  E. Rutherford, Bergen County.
- July 26 Interstate Route 295
  Lighting Installation
  Bellmawr, Camden County.
  W. Deptford, Gloucester County.
- July 26 Route U.S. 130

  Resurfacing, Barrier Curb, Bridge and Ramps
  Camden and Burlington Counties.



#### BIDS TO BE RECEIVED, contd.

- July 27 Route 27
  Widening and Resurfacing
  Rahway and Linden, Union County.
- July 27 Route U. S. 1
  Widening and Resurfacing
  No. Brunswick Township, Middlesex County.
- July 27 Glassboro State College Glassboro, Gloucester County.
- Aug. 3 Route U. S. 322 (Black Horse Pike)
  Widening and Resurfacing
  Atlantic and Gloucester Counties.
- Aug. 3 Boonton Turnpike

  Main Street to Paine Place

  Lincoln Park, Morris County.
- Aug. 9 Interstate Route 80
  Grading-Paving-Bridges
  Lodi, Bergen County.
- Aug. 10 Interstate Route 287
  Grading-Paving-Bridges
  Boonton and Montville, Morris County.



# NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

1035 Parkway Ave. Trenton

IMMEDIATE RELEASE



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ROUTE 208 - BIDS Bergen County

Trenton, July 7 - Samuel Braen's Sons of Hawthorne submitted a low bid of \$1,659,499.48 on a New Jersey State Highway Department contract for constructing a 1.3 mile section of Route 208 in Bergen County.

The project extends from Colonial Road in Franklin Lakes to Route 202 in Oakland. It is the last in a series that has provided 9.4 miles of continuous two-lane highway from Route 4 in Fair Lawn to Colonial Road at a cost of more than \$5.6 million.

The contract calls for constructing a 46-foot wide highway containing two 12-foot traffic lanes, an additional 12-foot climbing lane for eastbound traffic, and a ten-foot wide hard-surfaced shoulder along the westbound lane. Riding surfaces will be bituminous concrete.

Interchanges are planned for Colonial Road and Route 202.

Costs will be shared equally by New Jersey and the Federal government. The bids will be reviewed by State and Federal officials before the contract is awarded.

Other bidders were: P.T. & L. Construction Co., Paramus, \$1,736,821.88; Poirier & McLane Corp., New York City, \$1,764,633.33; J.F. Chapman & Son, Hillside, \$1,976,288.93; S.J. Groves & Sons, Woodbridge, \$2,053,342.05 P. Michelotti & Sons, Inc., Saddle Brook, \$3,019,476.69.

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1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 287 - BIDS Middlesex County

Trenton, July 6 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received four bids on construction of Interstate Route 287 in Middlesex County. The lowest - \$4,037,973.40 -- was submitted by Public Constructors Inc., of Blackwood.

There was only a \$642.70 difference between this offer and the next lowest bid on the project -- \$4,038,616.10 by S. J. Groves & Sons, Inc., of Woodbridge.

All bids on the contract, which covers construction of a 1.7-mile section of the new superhighway from New Durham Road in Edison Township to Prince Street in Metuchen, will be reviewed by State and Federal engineers before a contract is awarded.

The project is part of an overall program to provide a new superhighway from Route 22 near Somerville to Route 1 near Metuchen by the end of 1962.

West of Route 27, where an interchange will be constructed, Interstate 287 will have six traffic lanes. East of Route 27 it will provide 8 traffic lanes extending to a future interchange at Route 1.

Bridges are planned to carry Route 287 over the Pennsylvania Railroad, over Route 27, under the PRR Westinghouse and Bonhampton Railroad spurs and under Whitman Avenue.

Completion of the project is aimed for December, 1962.

Other bidders were: Poirier & McLane Corp., New York, \$4,283,545.70; Rusciano Construction Corp., Pelham Manor, N.Y., \$5,443,575.25.

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GLASSBORO STATE COLLEGE
Glassboro, Gloucester County

Trenton, July 6 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids due July 27 on a contract to construct a new parking lot and other improvements at the Glassboro State College in Glassboro, Gloucester County.

The new parking lot will have access to Route 322 and to Heston Avenue. The site is adjacent to the Pennsylvania Reading Seashore Line Railroad.

Capacity of the parking lot is estimated at 250 cars on a bituminous concrete surface painted with white lines to mark driving lanes and parking bays.

The two-lane connecting road between Heston Avenue and the parking area will be approximately 600 feet long.

Other improvements include paving gravel walkways and driveways in the infirmary and cafeteria area.

Completion of the project is expected by September 15. All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.

The job is one of the many undertaken by the Highway Department each year for other agencies of the State government. Expenditures and commitments from funds appropriated to these agencies approximated \$1 million in the past year.

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## NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 287 - BIDS Boonton, Morris County

Trenton, July 5 - The Franklin Contracting Co., of Little Falls, today submitted a low bid of \$3,598,772.03 on a New Jersey State Highway Department contract to construct a two-mile section of Interstate Route 287 in Boonton, Morris County.

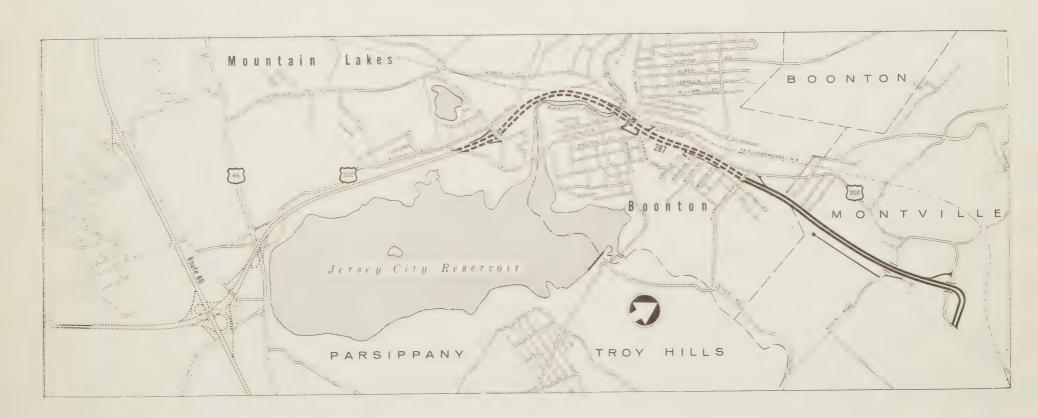
The project will relieve congestion on sections of Myrtle Avenue, Washington Avenue and Parsippany Boulevard which are now serving as local portions of U.S Route 202, and Morris County's Rockaway River Bridge.

The work will be the first in a series of adjoining construction jobs designed to link with Route U.S. 46 to the south and with existing U.S. Route 202 in Montville Township to the north.

Construction in the Boonton area will take place between Parsippany Boulevard (Route U.S. 202) in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township and a point about 600 feet north of Vreeland Avenue in Boonton. The Freeway will consist of two roadways separated by a grass center island ranging in width from 32 feet to 56 feet.

Other bidders were: Poirier & McLane Corp., New York City, \$3,677,759.04; S.J. Groves & Sons, Woodbridge, \$3,905,988.05; Hagan Industries Inc., Corona, N.Y., \$4,177,023.64; George M. Brewster & Son, Bogota \$4,607,568.71.





# NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

1035 Parkway Ave. Trenton RELEASE FRIDAY P.M.
June 30.



TU xedo 2-3000 - Ext. 431-432 1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 287 Boonton-Montville Morris County.

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today called for bids August 10 on the second of three contracts for constructing Interstate Route 287 through the Boonton area of Morris County.

The three contracts cover construction of a non-stop superhighway between Route 46 in Parsippany-Troy Hills Township and Route 20 2 in Montville, relieving traffic congestion in the Boonton area.

Bids on the first Boonton project, extending from Intervale Road to Vreeland Avenue, will be received July 5.

The Highway Department's plans show the second project will start at Vreeland Avenue and extend to Route 202 (Main Road) stopping beside the Old Morris Canal Bed.

This future portion of Interstate Route 287 eventually will be part of a 65.8 mile Freeway extending from Interstate Route 95 (the new Jersey Turnpike) near Metuchen to the New York State line near Suffern. When completed the superhighway will form part of a gigantic loop around metropolitan New Jersey and New York. Final cost is estimated at \$155 million.

South of Route 46 a 1.9 mile section of U.S. 202 Freeway, constructed to Route 10 in 1957 at a cost of \$2.4 million, has been designated as a portion of Interstate Route 287.

In Middlesex County a 13-mile section of the Interstate Highway extending from Route 22 near Somerville to Route 1 near Metuchen will be entirely under construction this summer. Estimated cost of this portion amounts to \$31 million.

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1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 287 Boonton-Montville Morris County.

The newest section will consist of two roadways separated by a natural center island 35 to 100 feet wide. Each roadway is designed to provide two 12-foot reinforced concrete traffic lanes. Bituminous concrete shoulders along outer lanes will be 12 feet wide, and along inner lanes, 3 feet wide.

Connecting with the future Freeway just east of Vreeland Avenue will be an "off" ramp from southbound 287 to Myrtle Avenue.

Two local access roads will branch from River Road and parallel. Route 287. One road will extend west for about 2,500 feet, the other east for 150 feet.

The Department also plans to construct an 1,100-foot long "on" ramp from Main Road westerly to southbound 287 near River Road.

A temporary connection will be built between the Freeway and the Main Road near the Morris Canal bed.

Three bridges are included in the contract - one to carry Route 287 over River Road, the second to span relocated Crooked Brook and Main Road, and the third to carry the southbound Main Road ramp over Crooked Brook.

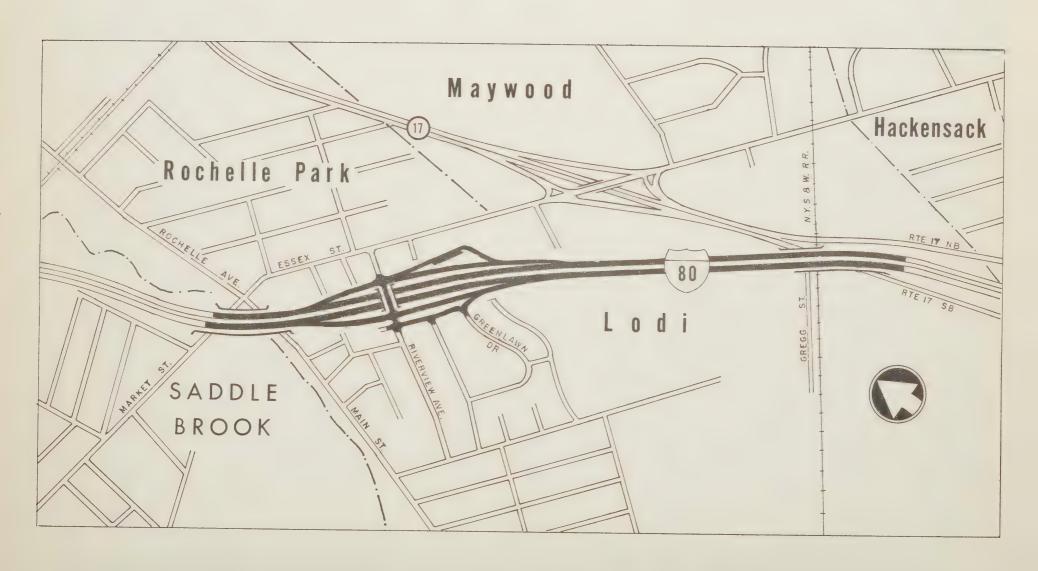
The Department has scheduled completion of the project within 275 working days.

The Federal Government will pay ninety per cent of the costs and New Jersey

ten per cent.

All bids will be reviewed by the Federal Bureau of Public Roads and State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.





# NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 80 - ADV. Lodi, Bergen County

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids August 9 on construction of Interstate Route 80 another mile westward in Lodi, Bergen County.

The contract will cover work from a point 1,000 feet south of the Hackensack & Lodi Railroad to Main Street in Lodi, including a full interchange at Riverview Avenue.

Bids were received yesterday on work from Polifly Road in Hackensack to the eastern limit of the latest project.

Plans for the new construction include a 430-foot long overpass to carry Route 80 over Gregg Street, the railroad, and southbound Route 17.

Interstate Route 80 in this area forms part of the Bergen-Passaic Expressway scheduled for completion from the George Washington Bridge to the Route 17 interchange in Lodi by mid-1962.

The Highway Department hopes to award all contracts within the next 13 months necessary to complete the Expressway into Paterson where purchase of right-of-way already has begun.

Interstate 80 will extend eventually from Teaneck Road in Bergen County 68.3 miles to the Delaware Water Gap with the Federal government paying 90 per cent of all costs.

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INTERSTATE ROUTE 80 - ADV
Lodi, Bergen County

Plans for the new project show the superhighway's eastbound and westbound roadways will be divided by a concrete center barrier 32 inches high.

Each roadway will consist of four 12-foot wide lanes. The eastbound roadway will have a concrete curb equally dividing its lanes for use by express and local traffic.

Outer and inner shoulders will border both roadways, with all outer shoulders 12 feet wide to permit safe emergency parking.

As a convenience for westbound motorists, a large rest parking area will be constructed outside the highway near Riverview Avenue.

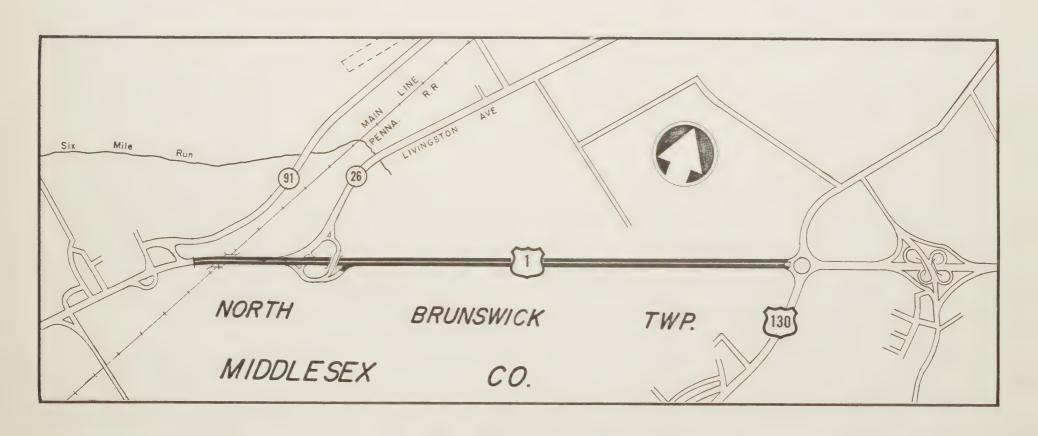
All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers and the Federal government before the contract is awarded.

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## NEW JERSEY STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

1035 Parkway Ave. Trenton

IMMEDIATE RELEASE



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1961 ROUTE U.S. 1 - ADV. North Brunswick Middlesex County.

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids due July 27 on a contract for modernizing another 1.8 miles of Route U.S. 1 in North Brunswick, Middlesex County.

The work will start at the Pennsylvania Railroad bridge, just north of Jersey Avenue, and extend to the Route 130 traffic circle.

The Highway Department plans to replace the highway's existing center divider with a safer concrete barrier, widen and resurface the roadways, and replace the present wire rope guard rails with steel beam guard rails.

The new project is part of an overall program to modernize the busy highway from Trenton to Newark and to make it a safer more comfortable road to ride.

Greater safety is being achieved by erecting a high concrete center barrier of the kind which has prevented fatal head-on collisions along more than 84 miles of the State Highway system. The barrier is designed to have openings only at crossings protected by signal lights, and equipped with jughandle turns.

Route 1 also is being made safer by providing hard-surfaced shoulders wide enough to enable motorists to park completely out of traffic when in trouble.

The widened portions of the main north-south highway will be re-paved with a bituminous concrete surface three inches thick.

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1961 ROUTE U.S. 1 - ADV. North Brunswick Middlesex County.

Modernization of Route 1 has progressed from the Trenton area for about 19 miles northward to Jersey Avenue at a cost of about \$6 million. The new project continues the improvement to the Route 130 circle.

North of the circle, 1.2 miles of Route 1 was modernized to College Farm Road in North Brunswick under a \$900,000 contract that also provided an interchange for Milltown Road.

Within the mile-long stretch from College Farm Road to the new Route 18 interchange, the highway still has a grass center island dividing the two-lane concrete roadways. This section will be modernized under a future contract.

A \$1.6 million contract completed last December saw the construction of the Route 18 interchange, and nearly a mile of Route 1 improved to the Raritan River bridge.

North of the Raritan River in Edison Township a future project will modernize a mile of the highway to Plainfield Avenue and provide an interchange for Woodbridge Avenue.

Under a \$450,000 contract completed last year, 17 unprotected openings in the existing center island were closed, and six jughandles constructed in the 1.5 mile section between Plainfield Avenue and Old Post Road.

Unprotected island openings in the 2.2 mile section between Old Post Road and Amboy Avenue, in Metuchen, will be closed by the end of 1962.

A project for construction of an interchange for Route 1 and Interstate Route 287 will get underway in the near future.

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ROUTE U.S. 1 - ADV.
North Brunswick
Middlesex County.

North of Amboy Avenue, the center divider has no unprotected openings to Rahway, a distance of 5.6 miles.

The Department's construction plans for the new project call for replacing the existing 12-inch center curb that extends over the Pennsylvania Railroad bridge to Livingston Avenue and the grass center island that continues to the Route 130 circle with concrete center barrier 32 inches high.

Both roadways have been designed to provide two 12-foot wide traffic lanes, bituminous concrete outer shoulders ten feet wide and three-foot shoulders next to the center barrier.

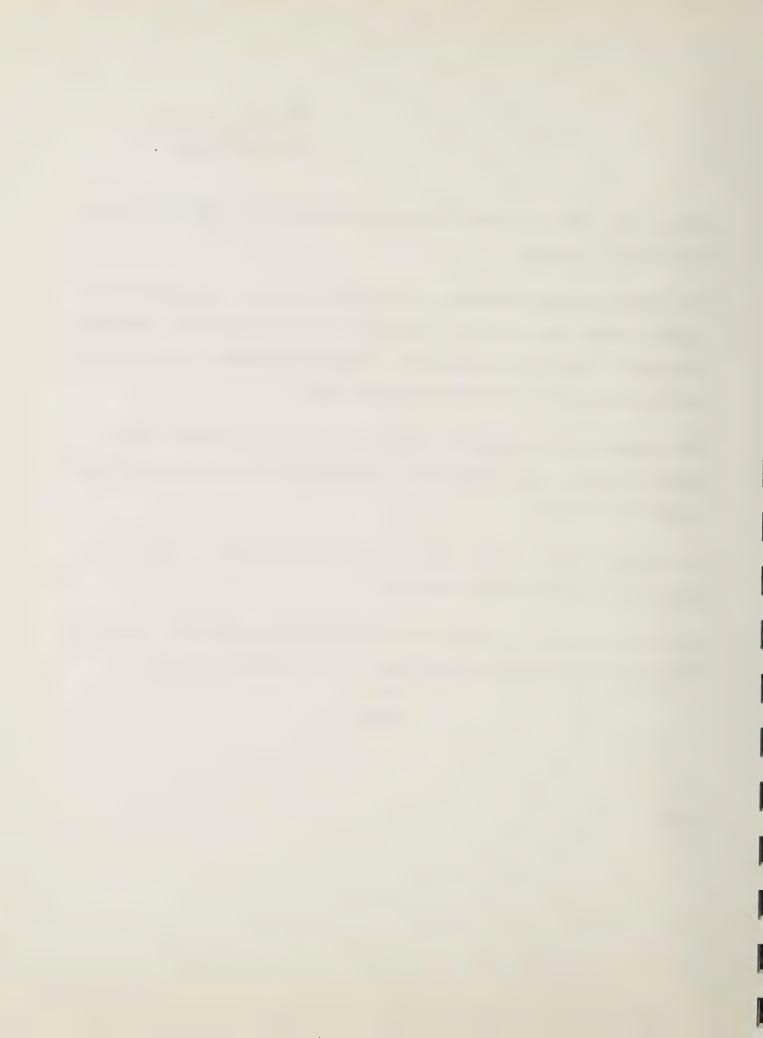
The existing concrete roadways, each 25 feet wide, will serve as bases for the new bituminous concrete riding surfaces.

The Department has set a schedule of 75 working days for completing the project.

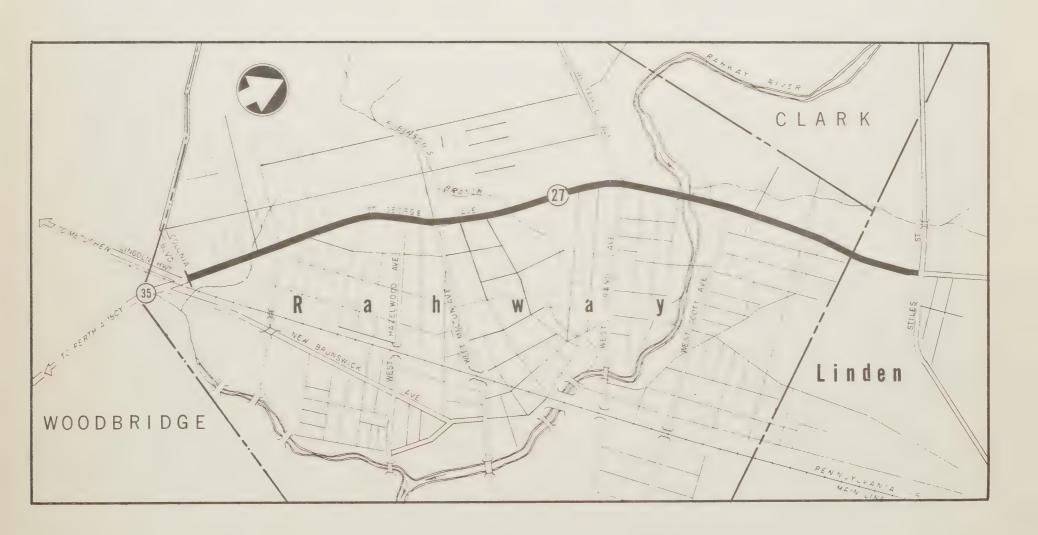
Costs will be shared equally by New Jersey and the Federal Government.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ROUTE N.J. 27 - ADV.
Rahway and Linden
Union County

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids July 27 on a contract for widening and resurfacing 2.6 miles of Route 27 between Colonia Boulevard in Rahway and Stiles Street in Linden, Union County.

The existing highway in this area consists of a three-lane concrete roadway

29 feet wide bordered by ten-foot wide shoulders.

According to the Highway Department's plans the heavily traveled artery will be widened to 44 feet to provide four traffic lanes and be bordered by ten foot shoulders.

All traffic lanes and shoulders will be surfaced with bituminous concrete.

Drainage facilities and local street approaches to the main highway will be improved also.

The Department has allowed 100 working days to complete the project, which will be paid for with State funds.

All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ROUTES 1 & 9 - BIDS Electrical Essex County

Trenton, June 30 - The Counties Contracting & Construction Company, of Philadelphia, submitted a low bid of \$31,382.50 on a New Jersey State Highway Department contract for modernizing the underground electrical system serving highway lights on Routes 1 and 9 in Newark.

The project, covering a 3,500-foot section running north from the Elizabeth-Newark city line, will substantially reduce maintenance costs and should last a minimum of fifty years.

The contract requires that all lanes of the heavily traveled highway be kept open between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Between the morning and evening rush periods at least one lane must be open at all times in each direction.

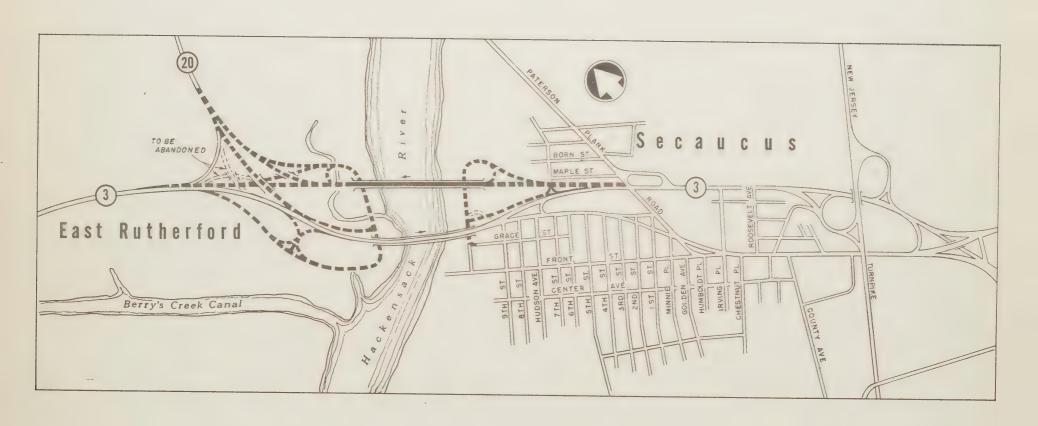
Completion of the 100% State financed project is expected at the end of 50 working days. All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.

The other firm bidding for the contract was: Mohawk Constructors, Linden, \$34,855.50.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 ROUTE N.J. 3 - ADV. Hudson & Bergen Counties

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department will start constructing a new Route 3 bridge over the Hackensack River between Secaucus in Hudson County and East Rutherford in Bergen County this summer.

The Department will receive bids on a contract for the bridge's substructure July 25. If the low bid is approved after review by State Highway engineers and the Federal Bureau of Public Roads, construction will start within the following few weeks.

Purpose of the overall project is to provide the average 75,000 vehicles per day now crossing the existing Route 3 bridge with two one-way bridges by late 1963 or early 1964.

Highway engineers have overlapped the three stages of construction (substructure, superstructure, and road approaches) in a tight schedule which leaves no idle time between the stages.

The new bridge will be the first in metropolitan New Jersey to be equipped with the low-level fluorescent lights which have proved so successful on the Route 72 Manahawkin Causeway Bridge in Ocean County.

The lighting units will be mounted in the top railing of the bridge's balustrades so that the illumination is directed to the bridge's four-lane concrete deck at right angles to traffic.

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1961 ROUTE N.J. 3 - ADV. Hudson & Bergen Counties

The Department said the lighting system has the advantages of uniform, glare-free illumination, effectiveness during periods of fog, rain or snow, easy maintenance, and functional beauty.

The existing 28-year old Route 3 bridge, 900 feet south of the future bridge, is now being reinforced to carry the traffic load until the new bridge is completed.

Traffic will then be shifted to the new bridge while the old one is redecked.

After the old bridge is reconditioned it will carry westbound traffic only.

The new bridge will carry only eastbound traffic.

The substructure for the new bridge will consist of steel pilings driven 60 to 70 feet through the earth to bedrock. Concrete piers will then be erected on the pilings.

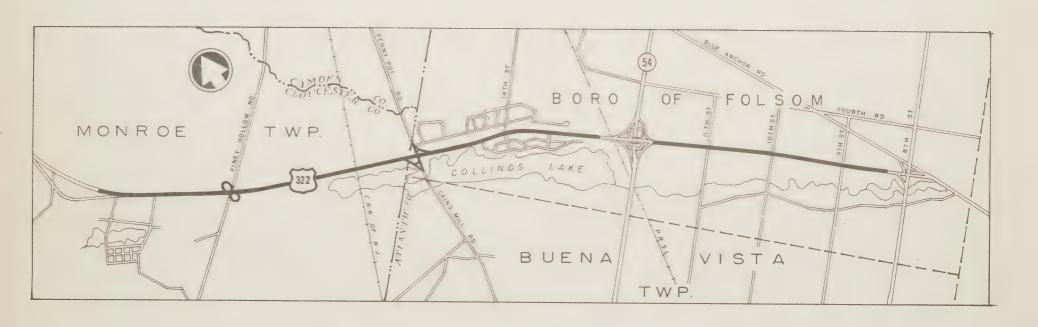
A steel superstructure and a reinforced concrete deck will be built under future contracts. The bridge will be 2,650 feet long and have four 12-foot wide traffic lanes, safety shoulders, walkways and balustrades in the 59-foot wide deck.

Costs will be shared equally by New Jersey and the Federal government.

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ROUTE U.S. 322 - ADV.
Atlantic-Gloucester Counties

Trenton, June 30 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today called for bids August 3 on another modernization contract for Route 322 (the Black Horse Pike) in Atlantic and Gloucester Counties.

Highway Department plans call for widening and resurfacing the route from Penny Pot in Atlantic County 5.6 miles westerly to Cecil in Gloucester County.

The Black Horse Pike modernization program is an important part of the State
Highway Department's rehabilitation policy, which is designed to improve outmoded
roads to meet 1975 needs.

Approximately 16 miles of the Route have been improved from Weymouth easterly to the Atlantic City area and a 4.6 mile stretch is now being improved from Weymouth westerly to Blue Anchor Road in Atlantic County.

The new project continues the modernization westerly from Penny Pot near Blue Anchor Road to Oecil.

Highway construction plans show the existing 30-foot wide, three lane, concrete roadway and its 18-foot wide and 8-foot wide shoulders will serve as the base for a 76-foot wide highway containing four 12-foot traffic lanes separated by an 8-foot wide median strip, and flanked by ten-foot shoulders. The entire surface will be bituminous concrete.

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1961 ROUTE U.S. 322 - ADV. Atlantic-Gloucester Counties

Construction will skip the Route 322-Route 54 intersection where an interchange is being constructed under a separate \$1.2 million contract.

Jughandle left-turn roads will be constructed on both sides of Route 322 at Piney Hollow Road in Gloucester County and Cains Mill Road in Atlantic County.

The Department has set a completion target date of August 1962 for the project.

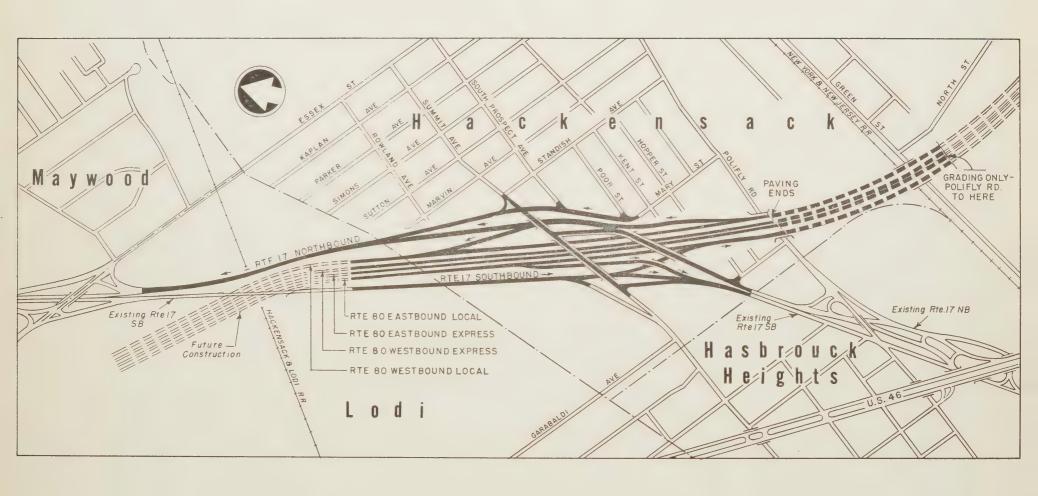
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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 80 - BIDS Route 17 Interchange Bergen County

Trenton, June 29 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received a low bid of \$4,678.771.82 on a contract for construction of a major interchange connecting Interstate Route 80 with Route 17 in Bergen County.

The bid, lowest of 3 received on the project, was submitted by Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls. Other bidders were: Poirier & McLane Corp., New York City, \$4,736,547.46; S. J. Groves & Son, Woodbridge, \$4,751,455.84.

The interchange contract will cover work in Hackensack, South Hackensack, Lodi and Teterboro.

The new superhighway will be completely constructed from Polifly Road northward about 1,000 feet past the Hackensack & Lodi Railroad, a distance of 1.1 miles, and its foundation prepared for 500 feet south of Polifly Road.

The Department's construction plans show a long, narrow interchange, with Route 17 northbound and southbound roadways separated, and the Interstate double-dual eight-lane highway constructed between them.

All bids will be reviewed by the State and Federal government before the contract is awarded.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M. JUNE 29

1961 ROUTE N.J. 10 - ADV. ESSEX COUNTY

Trenton, June 29 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids July 20 on a project designed to relieve traffic congestion at the Route 10-Pleasant Valley Way intersection in West Orange, Essex County.

The safety improvement includes reconstruction of a 550-foot section of Route 10 eastward from Pleasant Valley Way. The new road will contain four lanes in a 46-foot wide roadway, in place of the three lanes now available in the existing 30-foot road.

The sharp curve near the intersection has been redesigned to provide a safer, more gradual turn.

To channel the west branch of the Rahway River under the highway, a concrete box culvert will replace the present stone arch bridge.

Another Route 10 reconstruction project in Livingston Township is half completed. The 1.7-mile section, between Livingston Circle and Teed Road, will cost nearly \$600,000.

Both projects are part of an overall program to improve Route 10 which has cost about \$3.3 million so far.

The West Orange project will be financed by the State, and will take about 110 working days to complete.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M. JUNE 29

1961 ROUTE N.J. 52 - ADV. Atlantic & Cape May Counties

Trenton, June 29 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids July 20 on a contract for redecking four bridges on Route N.J. 52 between Somers Point, Atlantic County, and Ocean City in Cape May County.

The bridges span Beach Thorofare, Ship Channel, Rainbow Thorofare and Elbow Thorofare.

Periodic maintenance checks and tests by the Highway Department's bridge engineers show the bridges! reinforced concrete decks are beginning to deteriorate under their bituminous concrete riding surfaces.

The Department plans to strip off the two-inch riding surfaces and approximately two inches of the concrete decks then redeck with a layer of reinforced concrete four inches thick which will also serve as a new riding surface.

90 working days has been alloted to the rehabilitation project, with the State paying all costs.

During week ands and holidays, three of the four lanes on each of the bridges will be open, and during weekdays at least one lane in each direction will be kept open for traffic.

All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded. #######

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 95 - BIDS Sand Drains Bergen County

Trenton, June 28 - George M. Brewster & Son, Inc. of Bogota submitted the lowest of 4 bids received today by the New Jersey State Highway Department on a contract for stabilizing the roadbed for future construction of Interstate Route 95 in Bergen County. The firm's bid was \$3,070,916.00.

Previous bids on this project, received May 11, were rejected because of technical flaws.

The contract calls for installing sand drain columns to stabilize nearly a mile of the super-highway's path through the marshy area between Teaneck Road and Overpeck Creek, and between the Bergen-Passaic Expressway and Route 46.

Most of the work area lies in Ridgefield Park, with a small portion jutting into Teaneck Township.

The project is located between two interchanges which will be constructed under subsequent contracts. One will connect Interstate Route 95 with Interstate Route 80 where the two highways meet a few miles west of the George Washington Bridge.

The other interchange will connect with the New Jersey Turnpike and Route 46.

The Department estimates that the project will require 180 working days for completion.

Other bidders on the contract were: P. Michelotti & Sons, Saddle Brook, \$3,096.852.00 Hagen Industries, Corona, \$3,147,816.00; Public Constructors, Inc., Blackwood, \$3,394,870.00.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 295 - ADV. Camden & Gloucester Counties

Trenton, June 28 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids July 26 on a contract for installation of highway lighting units on Interstate Route 295 in Camden and Gloucester Counties.

Overhead lighting will be installed at five interchange points along the superhighway: the Interstate Routes 295 and 80S interchange, and the Creek Road underpass in Bellmawr, Camden County; and the Route 47 (Delsea Drive) interchange, the Almonesson Road overpass, Broadway and Gateway Boulevard in Westville, and the Route 295-130 interchange in West Deptford Township all in Gloucester County.

The Department's schedule calls for completing the new freeway this fall.

A total of 180 working days has been allowed for the lighting work.

Ninety per cent of the equipment and installation costs will be paid by the Federal Government, and the State will pay ten per cent.

All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers and the Federal Bureau of Public Roads before a contract is awarded.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ROUTE 4 - BIDS
Hackensack Avenue
Bergen County

Trenton, June 28 - The lowest bid received today by the New Jersey State Highway Department for constructing four interchange ramps to connect Hackensack Avenue with eastbound Route 4 in Hackensack, Bergen County, was \$175,283.41 submitted by Sappah Construction Co., Montvale.

The contract also calls for resurfacing a half-mile section of the main highway's eastbound roadway adjacent to the construction site.

The new ramps will combine with others, built in 1959 at the northern end of the Hackensack Avenue overpass, to provide a complete channelized interchange.

They will eliminate cross traffic on Hackensack Avenue by replacing the at-grade intersection south of the overpass. Construction will take 60 working days, without detours.

All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers and the Federal Bureau of Public Roads before the contract is awarded.

Other bidders were: P.T. & L. Construction Co., Paramus, \$192,839.35; George M. Brewster & Son, Inc., Bogota, \$196,658.65; Samuel Braen's Sons, Hawthorne Division, Hawthorne, \$202,974.25; Franklin Contracting Co., Little Falls, \$204,027.25; Sette Engineering Co., Paramus, \$210,374.60; J.F. Chapman & Son, Inc., Hillside, \$214,757.40; P. Michelotti & Sons, Saddle Brook, \$216,427.67; Jersey State Concrete Co., Hackensack, \$294,925.75.

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RELEASE TUESDAY P.M. JUNE 27

1961 PUBLIC AUCTION BERGEN COUNTY

Trenton, June 27 - The New Jersey State Highway Department will hold a public auction June 29 on 65 residential buildings in Hackensack and Lodi, Bergen County.

The buildings are being offered for sale before the ground is cleared to make way for new Interstate Route 80 freeway construction.

Buildings purchased at the sale must be removed from the highway construction site upon ten days notice after the transaction is final.

In Hackensack 11 buildings will be offered, and in Lodi, 54 buildings.

The sale will begin 10:30 a.m. at the Lodi National Guard Armory on Essex Street near Route 17.

Most residential buildings with garages will be considered as a single unit. All other buildings will be offered as individual units.

The successful bidder will be required at the sale to pay 25 per cent of the amount of his bid in cash or certified check payable to the Highway Department.

The balance of his bid must be paid within three days after he has been notified that his bid has been accepted.

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#### NOTE TO EDITORS:

Attached is a list of the buildings to be offered.

1961 PUBLIC AUCTION BERGEN COUNTY

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12 Kent Street

223 Kent Street

240 Vincent Avenue

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266 Vincent Avenue

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THURSDAY Pms RELEASE,
JUNE 22

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INTERSTATE ROUTE 287 - COMPLETION
Middlesex and Somerset Counties

Trenton, June 22 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced a 2.6 mile stretch of Interstate Route 287 in Middlesex County will be opened as an accommodation to local traffic in the area of South Bound Brook starting tomorrow, June 23.

The newly completed section of the superhighway starts at an interchange at Route 18 (River Road) on the east bank of the Raritan River in Piscataway Township, crosses the river on a new bridge to another interchange at Easton Avenue in Franklin Township, and then continues west to a connection with Weston Canal Road.

It provides an alternate route from New Brunswick and South Bound Brook to Bound Brook, Route 28 and Route 22 via the new Raritan River Bridge and Route 18.

The Interstate bridge is located just north of Centennial Avenue in Piscataway
Township and just south of Davidson Road in Franklin Township.

Motorists driving along the new freeway will encounter no intersections or stop signs, and will travel on three-lane 37-foot wide bituminous concrete roadways separated by a landscaped center island 60 feet wide and flanked by hard-surfaced shoulders 12 feet wide.

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Middlesex and Somerset Counties

The principal benefit of the new section will be felt when the Highway

Department opens another stretch of Interstate Route 287 from Weston Canal

Road to Route 28 in July and the stretch from Route 28 to Route 22 in

September.

All three sections will combine to provide an express route enabling crossstate traffic as well as local Somerville and Manville traffic to bypass congested Bound Brook area.

The Highway Department has allocated \$10 million in its 1961-62 program for right-of-way purchase and construction of Interstate Route 287 northward from Route 22 to Route 202-206 near the north branch of the Raritan River.

A direct non-stop superhighway from Route 22 near Somerville to Route 1 near Metuchen will be completed in 1962. The Department so far has committed \$8.2 million to construction now underway easterly from Route 18 to New Durham Road in Edison Township.

A contract for construction to Prince Street will be awarded by August, and another contract to extend the Interstate Route to Route 1 will be advertised in the near future.

Future construction will take the freeway from Route 1 east to the New Jersey Turnpike (Interstate Route 95).

When completed the Interstate freeway will form a 65-mile long giant arc from Interstate 95 near Metuchen around metropolitan New Jersey to the New York State line near Suffern. Final cost is estimated at \$155 million.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ROUTE 22 - BIDS
Essex and Union Counties

Trenton, June 22 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received a low bid of \$272,040.37 on a contract for resurfacing 2.6 miles of Route U.S. 22 in Essex and Union Counties.

The bid, lowest of 4 received on the job, was submitted by Gallo Asphalt Company of Irvington.

The project extends from Meeker Avenue in Newark to Vaux Hall Road in Union Township, skipping a half-mile section in Hillside where the Liberty Avenue viaduct is being improved.

A 500-foot section of Route 22 under the Lehigh Valley Railroad bridge on the Essex-Union County line will also be omitted from the resurfacing project.

The contract will allow 30 working days for completion of the State financed project, with a major portion of the work being performed at night to minimize inconvenience to traffic.

All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.

Other bidders were: Robert Bossert & Co., Inc., Newark \$282,518.40; Standard Bitulithic Co., Newark, \$290,803.00; C.H. Winans Co., Roselle, \$304,184.90.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Whiting-Hornerstown Road - BIDS Ocean County

Trenton, June 22 - The lowest bid received today by the New Jersey State

Highway Department on a contract for reconstructing nearly 10 miles of

County Route 539 in Ocean County was \$156,087.04, submitted by M. J. Stavola,

Inc. of Red Bank.

The route, known locally as the Whiting-Hornerstown Road, is to be rebuilt for 9.8 miles from the New Egypt-Cassville Road to State Route 70 in Plumstead, Jackson and Manchester Townships.

The existing road, varying from 18 to 26 feet in width, will be widened to a new two-lane width of 32 feet and resurfaced.

Cost of the project will be divided equally between Ocean County and the Federal government. All bids will be reviewed by State and Federal engineers before a contract is awarded.

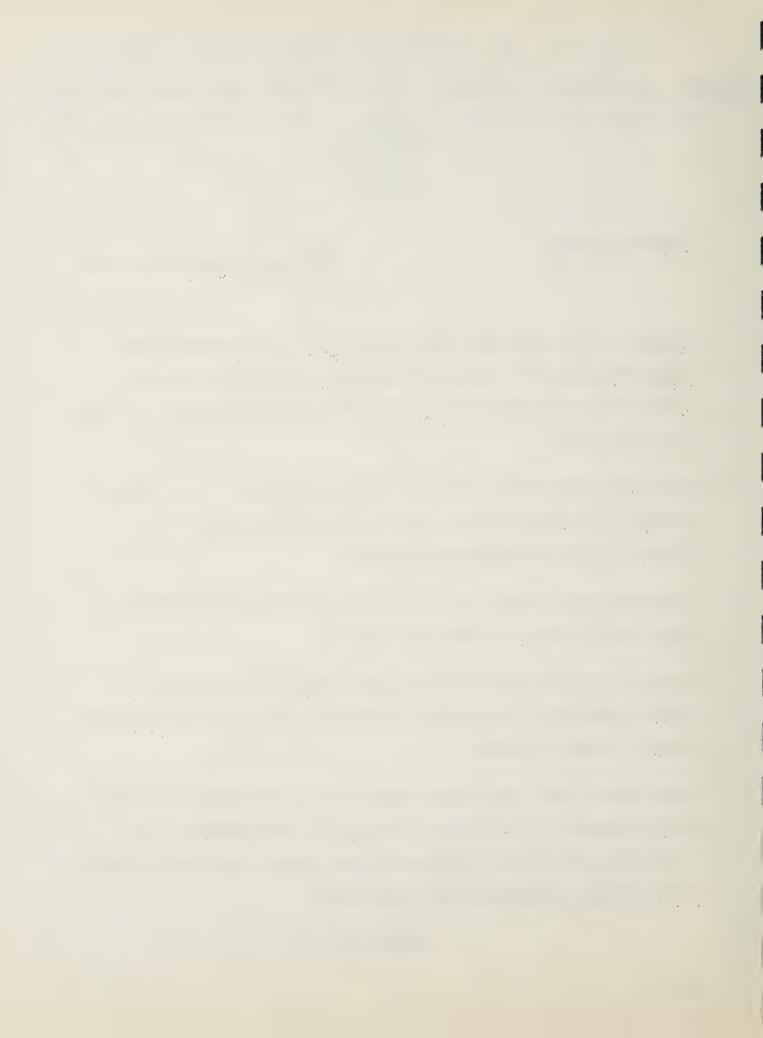
Other bidders were: South Jersey Construction Co., Riverside, \$177,067.27;

Barrett Paving Co., Inc., Trenton, \$179,247.17; Reichey Brothers, Inc.,

Asbury Park, \$216,277.73; Hess Brothers, Inc., Parlin, \$234,755.69; Edward H.

Ellis & Sons, Inc., Merchantville, \$298,452.34.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 COUNTY ROUTE 540 - ADV. Salem County

Trenton, June 22 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids July 12 on a contract for reconstructing County Route 540 (Pointers-Auburn Road) in Salem County.

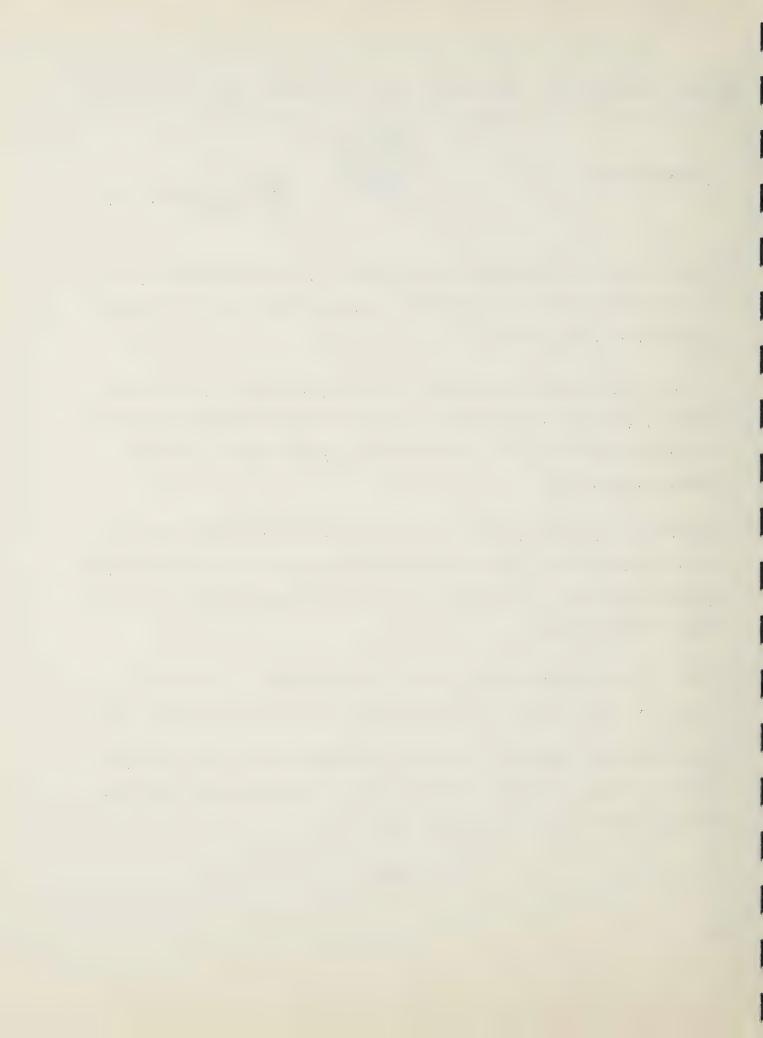
The road will be completely reconstructed from the north side of Mannington Creek for 1.4 miles northward to the intersection with Deepwater-Slapes Corner and Marshalltown Roads. The intersection and Deepwater-Slapes Corner Road were improved in 1957.

Construction plans call for the new road to include two bituminous concrete traffic lanes, each ll feet wide, and eight-foot shoulders constructed of sand on compacted gravel. A short bridge will carry the reconstructed road over a branch of Salem Creek.

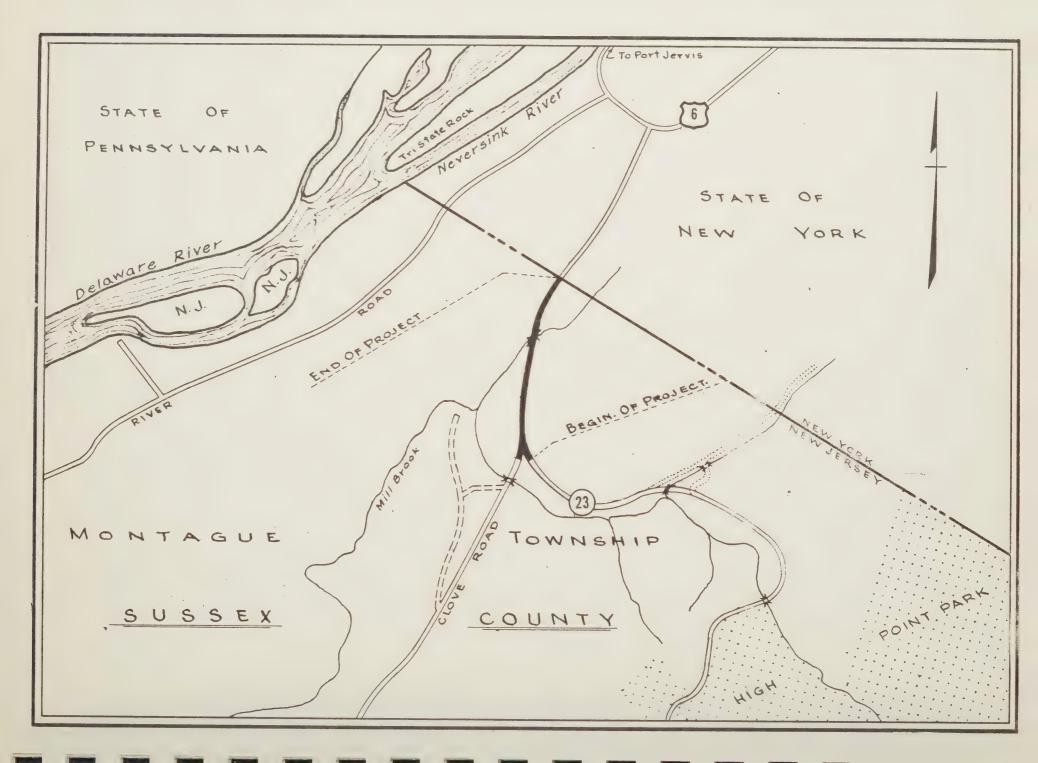
Costs of the construction will be shared by Salem County and the Federal Government. The project is scheduled for completion within 100 working days.

The State Highway Department, acting in an advisory capacity, will award the contract and inspect the work. All bids will be reviewed by State and County highway engineers before the contract is awarded.

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RELEASE THURSDAY P.M. JUNE 22

1961 ROUTE 23 - ADV Sussex County

Trenton, June 22 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids July 13 on a contract to replace a half-mile section of Route 23 in Sussex County with a straighter and wider road.

The section between Clove Road in Montague Township and the New York State line is a 20-foot wide two-lane black top winding road flanked by unimproved shoulders at present.

Under a 1959 contract, Route 23 was reconstructed for 2.5 miles south from Clove Road to Steenykill Lake for \$570,000. The new project continues the improvement northward toward Port Jervis, N.Y.

The Highway Department's construction plans show a bituminous concrete twolane roadway 24 feet wide bordered by hard surfaced shoulders ten feet wide.

As a safety measure, about 1,000 feet of the highway's west shoulder leading up the hill to Clove Road from the north will be a "creeper lane" for slow moving vehicles.

To drain the sloping portion of the highway, 20 storm drains will be set in the concrete vertical curbs bordering the shoulders. The drains will all connect to a concrete pipe line buried under the east side walk area and discharging into Mill Brook.

A new reinforced concrete bridge 35 feet long and 50 feet wide, plus sidewalks, will span Mill Brook at a height of 5 feet 4 inches.

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1961 ROUTE 23 - ADV Sussex County

Other Route 23 improvements by the Highway Department include replacement of the Peckman Brook Bridge in Cedar Grove, Essex County, in 1959 at a cost of \$140,000; widening the Route at two points between Sussex and Hamburg for \$210,000 in 1957. Also in 1957, the Clove River Bridge and nearby portions of the highway in Wantage Township, Sussex County, were reconstructed at a cost of \$370,000. In 1960 five miles of Route 23 was resurfaced in Passaic and Essex Counties for \$295,000.

Last May the Department held a public hearing on its proposal to improve

Route 23 in Jefferson Township, Morris County, and West Milford Township,

Passaic County. In the Department's 1961-62 construction program \$2 million

has been allocated for this project between Charlotteburg and Oak Ridge Road.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 LONGEVITY AWARDS

Trenton, June 21 - Thirty-six veteran employes of the New Jersey Highway

Department today received awards signifying long and meritorious service.

Commissioner Dwight R. G. Palmer presented the awards to 10 employes who have each completed 40 years with the Department and 21 employes who have completed 35 years each.

The Commissioner commented that during the past 40 years the employes of the Highway Department have seen its activities grow steadily, to the point where it is now engaged, at one stage or another, in virtually every phase of transporting people and goods. The awards were in the form of suitably engraved tie chains, tie bars, cigarette lighters, bracelets and pins.

Those receiving 40-year awards were: Joseph J. Smith, Trenton; Eugene J. Palmer, Stockton; Anthony W. Kuhn, Trenton; Clyde W. Case, Trenton; Alfred G. Bailey, Pompton Plains; Z. Robert Ettenger, Bordentown; Harry Fowler, Trenton; Lawrence Gore, Trenton; Thomas B. Ettenger, Trenton; Harold P. Jemison, Hamilton Square.

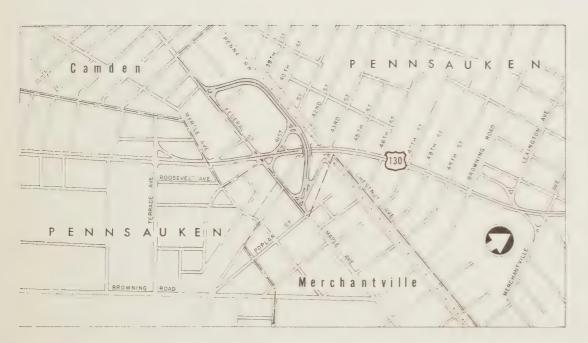
Those receiving 35-year awards were: Peter Cimbala, Trenton; Charles O. Dobbins, Trenton; Samuel G. Hann, Broadway; Joseph P. Henry, Neptune; Albert W. Wincken, Haddon Heights; William H. Jantz, Trenton; William A. Pfister, Titusville; Ernest Vagnozzi, Trenton; O.H. Fritzsche, West Trenton; Arthur G. Hancock, Trenton; William, J. Hurley, Pennsauken; Joseph Murray, Trenton;

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Edgar Y. Corson, Titusville; Elizabeth K. Meskill, Lambertville; Florence E. King, Trenton; Ella E. Moore, Trenton; Harry Beilinson, Trenton; William B. Haney, Trenton; Arthur R. Heintze, Haddonfield; Adrian C. Lincoln, Trenton; Horace E. Wahl, Trenton.

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1961 ROUTE 130 - ADV. Camden-Burlington Counties.

Trenton, June 21 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today announced it will receive bids July 12 on construction of a major revision of the intersection of Federal Street in Pennsauken Township and Route 130, Camden County, to promote safety at that congested intersection.

The contract will include construction of a center barrier and resurfacing 3,700 feet of Route 130 between Terrace Avenue and Browning Road.

In Delran Township, Burlington County, a pair of jughandle turns at the highway's intersection with Bridgeboro Street and Bridgeboro-Moorestown Road will be constructed under this contract.

Under another project started last December similar improvements are being made between the Airport Circle and Terrace Avenue, and between Browning Road and Haddonfield Road in Pennsauken Township.

North of Union Avenue in Pennsauken Township the concrete center barrier changes to a grass center island that extends to Burlington.

Unprotected openings in the center island have been closed to Cooper Street in Levittown Township, and dangerous gaps toward Burlington are being closed.

The amount of money committed to this 13.5 mile stretch of heavily traveled highway between the Camden area and Burlington, including the Routes 130-73 interchange totals \$3.2 million.

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1961 ROUTE 130 Camden-Burlington Counties.

Farther north in Bordentown, Burlington County, a combination interchange and safety improvement project now under construction will cost \$1.3 million.

In Pennsauken Township the new project will replace the low center curb now dividing northbound and southbound 130 traffic with a continuous 32-inch high concrete barrier, and place a new bituminous concrete riding surface on the worn four-lane concrete highway.

Because Federal Street's access across Route 130 will be blocked by the center barrier, the Highway Department has designed a by-pass road system to handle the average 42,500 vehicles that cross the present intersection each day.

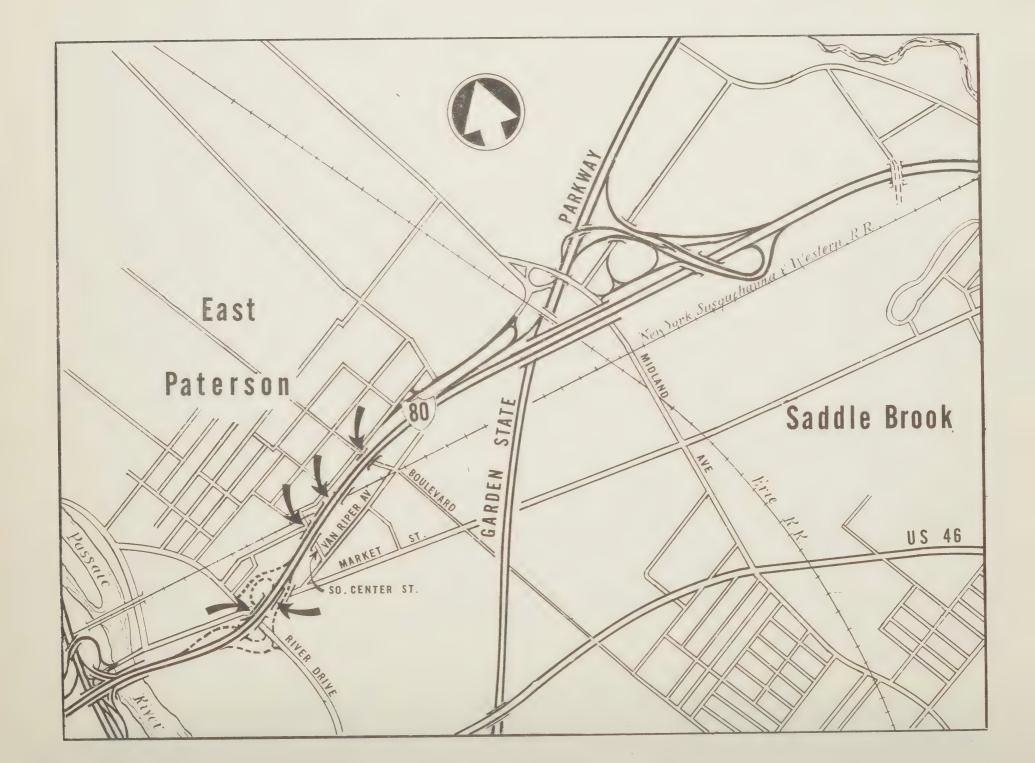
The main two-way by-pass road will branch from Federal Street west of 39th Street, parallel the Camden and Burlington County railroad, cross over Route 130 on a new bridge and rejoin Maple Avenue (Federal Street) near 43rd Street.

The western portion of 41st Street will serve as a two-way ramp connecting the by-pass road and southbound 130 to permit interchanges between the two busy arteries.

List Street east of U.S. 130 will become an "on" ramp to the highway's north-bound traffic lanes.

The new 100 per cent State financed project will take an estimated 160 working days to complete. All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers before the contract is awarded.





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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 ROUTE 80 BRIDGES - ADV. Bergen County

Trenton, June 20 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids July 18 on construction of six Interstate Route 80 bridges in East Paterson, Bergen County.

Interstate Route 80 in that area forms part of the Bergen-Passaic Expressway, which is scheduled for completion from the George Washington Bridge as far west as Route 17 in 1962. Award of a contract on the bridges in East Paterson will mark the start of construction between Route 17 and the Passaic River.

The Expressway is due to be open all the way from the George Washington Bridge into Paterson by late 1963 or early 1964.

A 731 foot long multi-lane bridge over the Passaic River between Paterson and East Paterson is now complete. Construction of this bridge, at a cost of nearly \$3 million was begun in mid-1959.

Going from east to west, five of the new bridges will carry the superhighway over Boulevard; the New York, Susquehanna & Western Railroad; South Center Street; Market Street; and River Drive. The sixth bridge structure will provide a ramp to Route 80 at Market Street.

All of the "main line" bridges will carry at least four lanes of traffic in each direction, separated by a concrete center barrier. Additional acceleration and deceleration lanes will be provided at the railroad and South Center Street bridges. (more)

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1961 ROUTE 80 BRIDGES -- ADV. Bergen County

The bridge over Market Street and the ramps will be built of structural steel beams, with the other bridges constructed of pre-stressed concrete beams.

The bridge over the railroad will be the longest structure -- 240 feet carried on three spans -- and will be 144 feet wide. The other structures will range from 66 feet to 220 feet in length and from 32 feet to 175 feet in width.

All will provide safety walks.

The contract will provide 300 workings days for completion of the project, with the Federal Government paying 90 per cent of the cost and the State 10 per cent.

All bids will be reviewed by Federal and State engineers before a contract is awarded.

Interstate Route 80 is one of 10 routes that have been designated for construction within New Jersey as part of the proposed 41,000-mile National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

It will run from a junction with Interstate Route 95 near the George Washington Bridge westerly to the Delaware Water Gap, a total distance of 68.3 miles.

At the present time more than 12 miles of this highway are open for traffic use, 8.5 miles are under construction, engineering and right-of-way plans are being drafted for an additional 24.6 miles and alignment studies on 23 more miles are being carried on.

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ROUTE N. J. 18
East Brunswick-Madison
Middlesex County

Trenton, June 15 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today advertised for bids July 13 on a contract for improving two sections of Route 18 in Middlesex County.

The safety improvement and road expansion project marks another step in the Department's overall program to keep Route 18 abreast of the ever-increasing traffic using that highway. In recent years close to \$4 million has been spent improving 9.3 miles of the highway from Route 1 in New Brunswick to Route 9 in Madison Township.

The Department's long term objective is to extend the highway to Route 35 at Eatontown.

Construction plans for the new project show two miles of the highway in East Brunswick Township, between the New Jersey Turnpike and the Raritan River Railroad, will be widened and resurfaced, have concrete center barrier and jughandles installed, and an overpass constructed.

In Madison Township a 900-foot section extending south from Sunset Avenue will be partially widened and resurfaced and also will get a new concrete center barrier.

After this project is completed only one portion of the original 3-lane highway, extending from Cranbury Turnpike in East Brunswick to Old Bridge in Madison, will remain to be dualized. This remaining section is included in the 1961-62 construction program.

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1961 ROUTE N. J. 18 East Brunswick-Madison Middlesex County

The two sections of the existing concrete highway that lie between the New Jersey Tunrpike and the Old Bridge-New Brunswick Turnpike, and between Prospect Street and the Raritan River Railroad will be widened from the existing 30-foot, 3-lane width to 82 feet. The improved 4-lane roadway will have a bituminous concrete surface three inches thick. A concrete barrier, 32 inches high will separate the future northbound and southbound traffic lanes. Concrete curbs or hard surfaced shoulders will flank the roadway's outer edges.

In the center of the project, between Old Bridge Turnpike and Prospect Street, 32-inch high concrete center barrier will replace the steel center barrier now separating the opposing roadways.

Jughandles will be built on both sides of Route 18 at the Eggers Street-Woodland Avenue intersection, and at the West Ferris Avenue intersection.

At the Raritan River Railroad construction plans call for building the second half of the bridge that now spans the railroad. The new portion, scheduled to carry southbound traffic only, wont't be used until future construction continues the dualization of Route 18 to the Milltown Road area. Until then southbound traffic will be funnelled over the 29-year old bridge now carrying two-way traffic.

The Department has allowed 110 working days for completing the 100 per cent
State financed project. All bids will be reviewed by State Highway engineers
before the contract is awarded.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

1961 INTERSTATE ROUTE 80 - BIDS Demolition Paterson, Passaic County.

Trenton, June 14 - The New Jersey State Highway Department today received a bid of \$105,550.00 submitted by William M. Young & Co., of Newark, on a contract to clear the path for future construction of Interstate Route 80 in Paterson, Passaic County.

The bid was the lowest of five on the project, which was expedited in response to concern by Paterson Mayor Frank X. Graves regarding potential fire and health hazards posed by the vacant buildings.

The contract calls for removing 247 buildings in the area extending from Pennsylvania Avenue to State Street. A similar project is now underway from Pennsylvania Avenue to the Passaic River.

Other bidders for the contract were: V. Ottilio & Sons, Paterson, \$108,925.00; Gibralter Wrecking & Supply Co., Union, \$109,454.00; Interstate Wrecking Co., Springfield, \$139,815.00; Mal-Bros Contracting Co., West Caldwell, \$333,302.00

The bids will be reviewed by the State Highway Department and the Federal Bureau of Public Roads before the contract is awarded.

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ROUTE 7 - COMPLETION
Resurfacing
Essex County

Trenton, June 15 - The New Jersey State Highway Department announced today that resurfacing of two miles of Route 7 in Belleville and Nutley, Essex County, will be completed two months ahead of time.

Due to excellent cooperation from local authorities and utility companies, work on the highway from Second River near the Newark city line to the Erie Railroad overpass in Nutley, should be completed next week.

The Highway Department awarded the 100 per cent State financed contract for resurfacing with bituminous concrete to the Gallo Asphalt Co. of Irvington last March on a bid of \$196,751.75.

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